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Dr. AYRES—I think we should express the opinion that the Institute is necessary for the

Colony. THE PRESIDENT—I think it is quite understood that it is necessary.
Dr. ARNOLD—Since we introduced the calf lymph system we have had less smallpox about.
Mr. EDGE—It has been stated that lymph was asked for from Canton and up the coast. That is very good, and in the financial aspect is all right. But Dr. Ho Kai stated at the last meet-

ing there was not sufficient lymph for our own use, and whatever we do have must be clearly understood that the Colony is to be supplied, first and other places come next.

Dr. AYRES (That is clearly understood. The cold weather caused the mild and treatment to be severe and so Mr. Edde could not give us the vaccine. It was only for a week.

by the PRESIDENT—The suggestion of Mr. Edde can be embodied in the covering letter.

Hon. F. A COOPER's resolution was then passed unanimously.

The Board then adjourned.

THE PEAK TEMPERATURE.

READINGS OF THE THERMOMETER DURING

JANUARY 1904			
OF THE MONTHLY AUSTIN HOTEL.			
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Navigation Company to recover a certain leather travelling bag and its contents, or their value, or damages to the extent of \$175 for detaining the same.

Mr. Gudge (of Messrs. Johns, Stokes and Master's office) represented the plaintiff, and Mr. Hastings (of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon's office) the defendants.

The statement of the plaintiff was to the effect that he shipped at Ponang on board the *Wing*

bag, having had a look passed given him by the agent of the steamship company, and he was told that the bag was full of light packages, one of which was the travelling bag in question. The bag was placed in the hold of the ship, and the steamer sailed on the evening of the 15th January. On the 20th January, she put into Singapore, sailing again the same evening. After sailing, the plaintiff was advised by reason of the necessity for the mail to be sent to the east coast of the island to go to the captain of the steamer to the big container of valuables, and accordingly, the same evening, he handed the bag over to the chief officer, who placed it in the mail room. On the following day, the plaintiff visited to place other three boxes in the mail room, and he asked the chief officer to place the bag in the second officer's room, and the plaintiff went into the room with the second officer, and asked the big and took out \$10, and he looked up the bag again and left it in the room.

Presumably, it remained on board the steamer until it had arrived in Hongkong on about January 1, 1900, when it was taken out of the cargo hold and put in a bag. The boxes were handed over to him, but the bag was missing, and a search of the steamer by the Water Police failed to discover it. The plaintiff now sought to recover damages for the loss of the bag—\$475 for the value of the bag and its contents.

Plaintiff was cross-examined by Mr. Hastings. He said that one day he saw one of the quarter-master's and the carpenter enter the room and take a bag out of the room and put it into the cargo hold. When the quarter-master did this the second officer was not standing there. He saw that the quarter-master come out, and he did not have the bag. Plaintiff did not see the carpenter go into the room. He saw the quarter-master take the bag from the steamer arrived in Hongkong, just as the second officer was coming up to the buzzy. He did not have

the bag, no officer was present. He was quite sure he told the chief officer what the bag contained, but he did not know whether the chief officer admitted having gambled with Chinese and lost money on the voyage between Hongkong and Hongkong, and borrowed \$10 from the ship's compradors.

Mr. Hastings, for the defense, said that the admitted fact that the case was not denied. They brought that the bag was handed to the chief officer, put into the mail room, which was when opened was found not to contain the bag. Of course, the contents were not known. He said that the chief officer had no knowledge of the bag, but they denied that the chief officer was informed that the bag contained valuables, and so far as they knew it only contained ordinary luggage. The egg was not found, and they said that the chief officer required valuables to be taken care of, but he could not declare the value, and extra freight would be charged for the responsibility. No officer of the ship had the right to accept anything on behalf of passengers, and the ship was not responsible for the loss of the bag, and the ship's compradors were responsible.

charge had been made by the Company in respect of this package and no (Mr. Hastings) submitted that it had been put in the mail room merely in favour to a passenger and the Company were not liable for its safe keeping. As a rule delivery of passengers' luggage was kept by itself and the owners had no responsibility at all.

Percy H. Galle, chief officer of the *Wingspan*, said the bag appeared to him to contain a DPA. Skating Cruise, said the *Wingspan* passengers' luggage was under their own supervision. If they had any valuable articles, he said, they took care of them.

The mate, desire them, and he charges commission, places them in the treasure room and takes charge of them. The officers had no authority to take charge of any valuables on their own responsibility and he would have blamed them if they had done so as it would be a breach of the Company's regulations.

T. F. Butler, second officer of the *Wingspread*, who had charge of the key of the mail room, admitted that the key might have been taken out of his cabin and returned without his knowledge.

This concluded the evidence, and the case was adjourned till Monday, 6th inst.

Signal cables from lightships are liable to foul with the anchor cables and become unmanageable at the time when most needed. The Admiralty has now ordered the construction of electrically operated lightships by the British Post Office, to undertake some interesting experiments in telegraphy by induction. The first, a line is run along the shore from the lightship to a buoy, and a second line from the buoy to the stern of the ship. Currents in one wire induce similar currents in the other. By the use of a battery, a short line is suspended over the water, and a second line is run from the lightship to the shore, and a third line is suspended in the sea in a direction the line touching the water from the land; and the current induced by conduction through the sea, is conveyed to the lightship by a cable, and is conveyed to the ship, and, placing a coil in the water at its end and another on board the vessel. In this case the coils act on each other inductively. The trial of the first plan was very successful, and the second plan was found to be even more successful, between wires three miles apart.

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